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1. EMBASSY SHOULD CONVEY TO FONMIN MACOVESCU DEPARTMENT'S
APPRECIATION FOR HIS UNDERSTANDING OF THE DELETERIOUS
EFFECTS OF THE UNESCO RESOLUTION WHICH IMPOSES SANCTIONS
ON ISRAEL IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGATIONS REGARDING CERTAIN
ARCHEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS IN JERUSALEM. MOTIVATED BY A
DESIRE TO PREVENT THE POLITICIZATION OF UNESCO AND TO
AVOID A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE ATMOSPHERE FOR EFFORTS
TO RESOLVE THE ARAB-ISRAELI PROBLEM, THE US ENCOURAGED
A NUMBER OF VIGOROUS EFFORTS AT UNESCO, OF WHICH WE
ASSUME THE ROMANIAN DELEGATION WAS AWARE, TO ELIMINATE OR
MODERATE THE SANCTIONS LANGUAGE IN THE RESOLUTION ON
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JERUSALEM EXCAVATIONS. THESE EFFORTS WERE MADE BOTH PRIOR

TO THE VOTE IN THE COMMISSION ON NOVEMBER 7 AND PRIOR TO THE VOTE IN PLENARY NOVEMBER 20. THE INTRANSIGENT RESPONSE BY THE ARAB GROUP TO ALL EFFORTS OF EUROPEANS, AFRICANS, AND LATIN AMERICANS LED US TO CONCLUDE RELUCTANTLY THAT A

COMPROMISE DECISION COULD NOT BE REACHED. IN THE FACE OF ARAB SOLIDARITY ON THIS ISSUE, WE REACHED THE CONCLUSION THAT A GESTURE OF THE KIND ISRAEL COULD MAKE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN ELIMINATING THE SANCTIONS LANGUAGE.

2. FYI. GOI EXPRESSED TO EMBASSY TEL AVIV ITS WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT INFORMATION GATHERING MISSION BY TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE OF UNESCO DIRECTOR GENERAL BUT WAS NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT RESIDENT UNESCO "SUPERVISOR" WHO WOULD "DICTATE" WHAT GOI COULD DO THERE. SOCIAL SCIENCES, HUMANITIES AND CULTURE COMMISSION VOTE NOVEMBER 7 WAS 52 TO 30 WITH 21 ABSTENTIONS AND 27 ABSENCES AND PLENARY VOTE NOVEMBER 20 WAS 64 TO 27 WITH 26 ABSTENTIONS. US VOTED NO ON BOTH OCCASIONS.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW ON REF C FOR EXPLANATION OF US NEGATIVE VOTE. INGERSOLL

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